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Paw's corner

by Sam Mazzotta

Don't Let Holidays Stress Your Pets


It's that time of year again: the mistletoe comes out, the tree is lit up (as is Uncle Fred), the aroma of baked goods and ham or turkey wafts through the house, and friends and family crowd into each other's homes for parties, dinners and gift exchanges.

This can be a lot of fun for the humans, but for many pets, the holidays are a time of great stress. Whether dog, cat, hamster or goldfish, Christmas and New Year's bring a risk of increased anxiety and health issues from an influx of unfamiliar people, altered daily schedules, noise, tempting foods and more.

Here are a few guidelines to help keep your pets comfortable and healthy during this hectic season:

- Keep pets as close to their daily routines as possible: feed, walk, play with and do other regular activities at the same times.
- Make sure dogs and cats are kept out of the kitchen while cooking and baking is going on: Many ingredients in holiday dishes can cause digestive issues, and some foods — like chocolate, onions and grapes — are poisonous.
- Have a plan for pets before holiday gatherings: set up a safe room or kennel cage where they can stay during the party.
- If possible, relocate aquariums and terrariums to quiet, dark rooms ahead of holiday gatherings so fish and reptiles are left undisturbed.
- If tanks can't be moved, instruct guests not to touch or tap the glass. You may even want to put a big sign on the side of the tank telling them so.
- If you suspect a pet has ingested some of the food, candies or alcohol at a party or dinner, monitor it closely. If the pet shows signs of distress, or excess drooling, lethargy or other symptoms, get to an emergency vet immediately.

Send your questions or tips to ask@pawscorner.com.



Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

- On Jan. 8, 1877, Crazy Horse and his warriors lose their final battle against the U.S. Cavalry in Montana. The Indians were resisting the U.S. government's efforts to force them back to their reservations.
- On Jan. 6, 1925, auto industry maverick John DeLorean is born. The DeLorean Motor Company produced just one model, a sports car with gull-wing doors that opened upward, in the early 1980s. Some 9,000 DMC-12s were produced before the company went bankrupt.
- On Jan. 5, 1949, President Harry Truman announces in his State of the Union address that every American has a right to expect from our government a "fair deal," including national health insurance, public housing, civil-rights legislation and federal aid to education. To some, the Fair Deal smacked of socialism.
- On Jan. 7, 1959, just six days after the fall of the Batista dictatorship in Cuba, U.S. officials recognize Fidel Castro's new provisional government. Relations between Cuba and the U.S. deteriorated almost immediately.
- On Jan. 4, 1965, in his State of the Union address to Congress, President Lyndon Johnson lays out legislation needed to achieve his plan for a Great Society. The address heralded the creation of Medicare/Medicaid, Head Start, the Voting Rights Act, Civil Rights Act, Department of Housing and Urban Development and Economic Opportunity Act.
- On Jan. 2, 1971, 66 soccer fans are killed in a stampede at a stadium in Scotland as they attempt to leave a game. The crush of spectators on the stairways led to tragedy.
- On Jan. 3, 1999, after three days of high winds and heavy snow that killed more than 100 people, the Great Lakes region begins digging out from one of the worst blizzards on record. Chicago's O'Hare Airport had to shut down, stranding 200,000 people for as much as four days.



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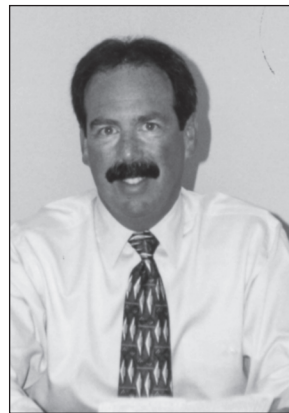
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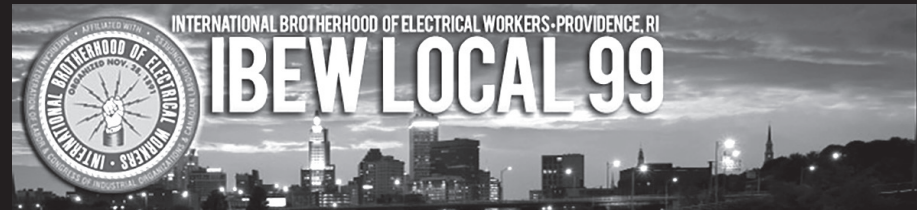
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Fri. 12/30 Fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, corned beef hash with potatoes, whole grain muffin.
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Q: I was watching “Christmas Cake Wars” the other day at my parents’ house, and I saw that Jonathan Bennett was the host. I loved him in “Mean Girls” and “Awkward,” and it got me wondering what else I can see him in. Thanks for your help! — *Michaela M., via Twitter*

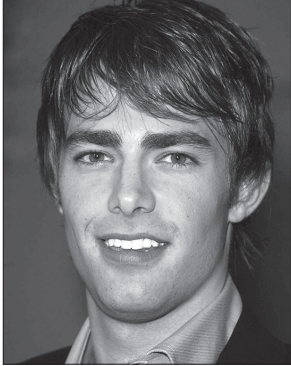
A: Jonathan reprises his role of Ben Saverin in the Lifetime movie “Mommy, I Didn’t Do It,” which premieres Jan. 1 at 8 p.m. ET/PT. It’s the sequel to “The Wrong Woman,” and it also stars Danica McKellar, Paige Searcy, Jamie-Lynn Sigler and George Wendt. When I spoke with Jonathan recently about his latest project, he told me it was a no-brainer to come back to work on this film.

“The director, Richard Gabai, and Danica McKellar are two of my favorite people to work with in Hollywood. As soon as they mentioned it, I jumped at the chance. It was like coming home. You walk on set, and everyone just feels so comfortable. It’s like a boy-band reunion. All we needed was Lance Bass playing a lawyer, and it would be a true boy-band reunion for all of us.”

Jonathan also was eager to return to the character of Ben, explaining: “Ben is a very likable character. I like playing likable characters, because I like giving the audience those butterfly moments. When I read the script, there were all of those great moments between him and Ellen. A big point of Ben’s presence is to give Ellen the confidence she needs to do what she knows she can do to represent her daughter.”

Q: What is Christina Ricci up to lately? Last I saw her was in the Lizzie Borden series. — *Lisa F., via email*

A: Christina stars in a new series for Amazon called “Z: The Beginning of Everything,” which premieres Jan. 27. The fictionalized bio series — which also stars David Hoflin, Jamie Anne Allman and David Strathairn



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Jonathan Bennett

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Q: Can you tell me if “The Americans” will have another season, and if so, when will it be televised? — *Caddosec, via email*

A: “The Americans” will return to FX for a fifth and sixth season, the latter of which will be the final season. The spy drama, which centers on a Russian spy family living in the U.S. in the 1980s, has not yet been given a premiere date for season five, but if it follows previous release dates, it should be in the first quarter of 2017.

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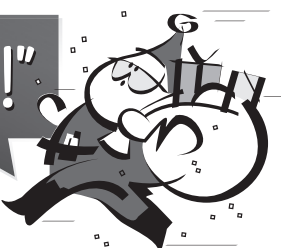
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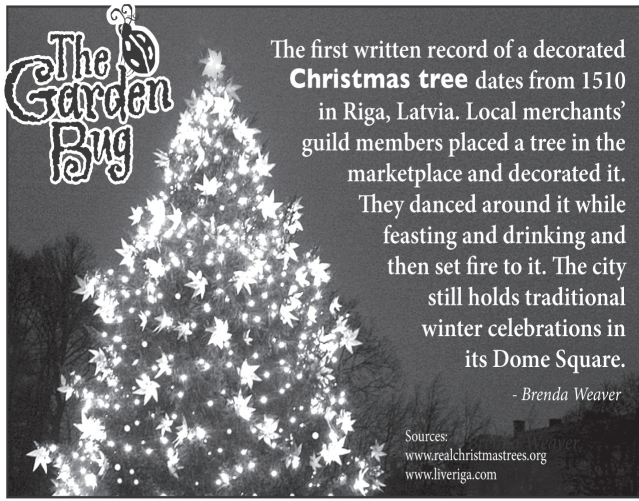
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Donna's Day Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

Wow! Grapefruit Baked Alaska

Greet the new year with a showy, wintry dessert. It's a take on traditional Baked Alaska that you may have enjoyed at a fancy restaurant. This mini version is much easier, using fresh grapefruit in its own "bowl" instead of cake, but still keeps the "wow" factor with billowing warm meringue on top and chilly ice cream nestled inside.

Timing is everything. Do some simple prep work beforehand. Then, as the table is being cleared after your main course, preheat the oven and whip the egg whites while your child spoons fruit into the grapefruit bowls and tops each with ice cream and mounds of sweet meringue.

GRAPEFRUIT BAKED ALASKA

- 4 grapefruits
- 6 scoops vanilla ice cream
- 3 egg whites (1/2 cup) at room temperature
- 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

One hour or more before serving:

1. Prepare grapefruit by cutting evenly in half crosswise. Use a grapefruit knife to cut out fruit sections. Place in a bowl and drain juice (enjoy drinking it for a snack). If grapefruit is rather tart, add some sugar. Cover and refrigerate.
2. Remove and discard membranes in six of the halves to form hollow "bowls," and discard the two remaining grapefruit halves. (You are using 6 halves for the dessert, but the fruit from 4 grapefruits to have ample servings.)
3. Pre-scoop ice cream in six rounds

on a tray lined with wax paper or plastic wrap. Place back in freezer.

15 minutes before serving:

4. Heat oven to 400 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or foil. Have child spoon refrigerated grapefruit pieces evenly into the six grapefruit "bowls" and set them on the baking sheet.

5. In a mixing bowl, with an electric mixer set at low speed, beat egg whites until frothy and foamy. Add cream of tartar. Increase speed until soft peaks form. Slowly add sugar, a tablespoon at a time. Let your kids watch as the



mixture changes and enlarges, and glossy, stiff peaks form.

6. Set an ice-cream round in center of each fruit-filled bowl. Immediately spoon the stiff meringue on top, and seal edges around the cut grapefruit rim with a butter knife. Bake in the middle of the oven for 5 minutes, or until meringue is golden.

7. Serve immediately on dessert plates. Makes 6 servings.

Tip: For a special occasion such as New Year's Eve, top each one with a birthday candle and light.

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Health Hints

Protect Yourself With The Power Of Cranberry Juice

(NAPS)—If you or someone you care about is among the estimated 150 million women who'll have a urinary tract infection (UTI) this year, you may be relieved to know that cranberry juice may be a nutritional approach to help avoid the infection in the first place.

The Problem

Approximately 60 percent of women will experience a UTI in their lifetimes and one in four will suffer a recurrence within six months.

UTIs are typically treated with prescribed antibiotics; however, antibiotic resistance—when bacteria stop responding to the drugs designed to kill them—is possibly the single most important infectious disease threat people face today.

In fact, each year, more than two million Americans are infected by germs that are resistant to antibiotics and at least 23,000 people die as a result.

According to an omnibus survey conducted by KRC of 1,000 Americans, nine in 10 adults understand that overusing antibiotics can be harmful to one's health. So what's the alternative?

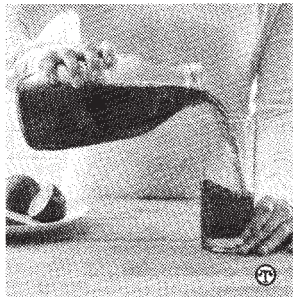
An Answer

Thankfully, there is a small, nutrient-dense fruit that can help defend your body against UTIs. The best part? You don't need a prescription for it.

It's the cranberry.

"More than 50 years of well-documented research points to cranberries' unique ability to block certain bad bacteria," said Dr. Christina Khoo, Director of Global Health Sciences and Regulatory Affairs at Ocean Spray. "This makes cranberries one delicious option that may help prevent urinary tract infections."

Dr. Khoo notes that the key to avoiding the infection altogether is consuming an eight-ounce glass



Cranberry juice is more than a refreshing drink—it may also improve the quality of life for women who suffer from UTIs.

of cranberry juice daily. People shouldn't wait until they have a UTI to drink cranberry juice, because once the symptoms start, they'll likely need a course of antibiotics.

According to that same omnibus survey, consuming cranberry juice daily shouldn't be a problem—three-quarters of adults would rather drink a glass of cranberry juice a day than take antibiotics a few times a year.

At a time when antibiotic resistance threatens public health around the world, research shows that consuming cranberry juice daily can be a nutritional approach to reducing symptomatic UTIs and, as a result, may be a useful way to decrease the worldwide use of antibiotics. So it seems cranberry juice is more than a refreshing drink—it may also improve the quality of life for women who suffer from UTIs by reducing their trips to the doctor, their lab costs and antibiotic use.

Learn More

For further information about antibiotic resistance and how you can #DrinkToDefend your body against UTIs, visit the experts at Ocean Spray online at www.cranberryhealth.com.

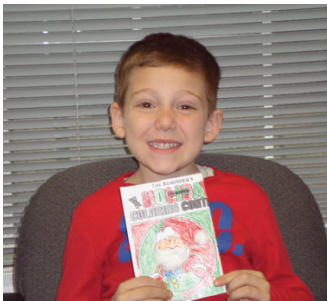
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Sarah Lowe




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Sophie Tonet


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1ST PLACE
Bianca Iannone



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Olin Lawrence



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Amara Neves



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DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Chloe was afraid that Nicole knew the truth about the baby's paternity. Philip angrily confronted Deimos. Kate accompanied an apprehensive Adrienne to her first chemo appointment. Joey overheard Jade during a vulnerable moment. Deimos and Brady became increasingly concerned when Nicole failed to return to Salem. Gabi broke things off with JJ. Andre tried to pressure Abigail into revealing she was alive. Dario found Paul snooping around his shipments on the dock, and Sonny intervened. Abigail and Jennifer said a difficult goodbye. Chad and Gabi exchanged Christmas gifts. **Wait to See:** Chad continues to process Abigail's return.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Franco had a life-changing dream. Sonny flew into a tailspin when confronted with new information surrounding Morgan's death. Julian took advantage of an opportunity. Maxie threw Sam a baby shower. Liz sought help from Heather. Franco struggled with a decision about his



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future. Finn kept vigil at Hayden's bedside. Ava tried to dissuade Julian from pursuing Alexis. Kiki was conflicted by a conversation that she overheard. Alexis prepared for Julian's arrival. Dante made a stunning announcement about Tom. Julian surprised Alexis with a gift and used the holiday spirit to his advantage. Carly managed to bring the entire family together to celebrate the holiday. Sonny's lies mounted. Valentin took the high road with Lulu. **Wait to See:** Nathan receives some devastating news.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Phyllis confided in Summer that she was considering leaving Jabot. Nikki warned Victor to be on his best behavior at Summer's birthday party. Victor was disappointed that none of his heirs was interested in working at Newman Enterprises. An argument ensued about where Brash & Sassy should have its headquarters now that they had been kicked out of Jabot. Jill refused to work under the same roof as Victor. Nick and Dylan got into an argument at Faith's recital. Lauren got defensive when Jill asked her how business was going. Devon told Hilary that he would give her creative control at GC Buzz. Ashley and Traci were determined to reunite their brothers for the holiday. Jill asked Esther to live with her and be her maid again. **Wait to See:** Hilary pays the price for being in the spotlight.

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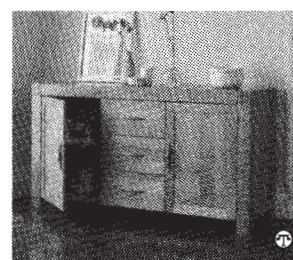
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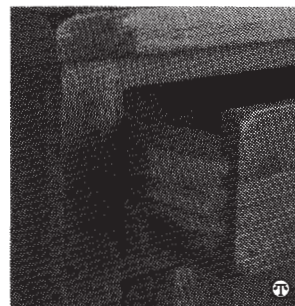
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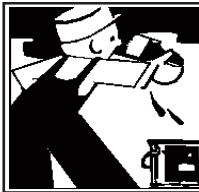
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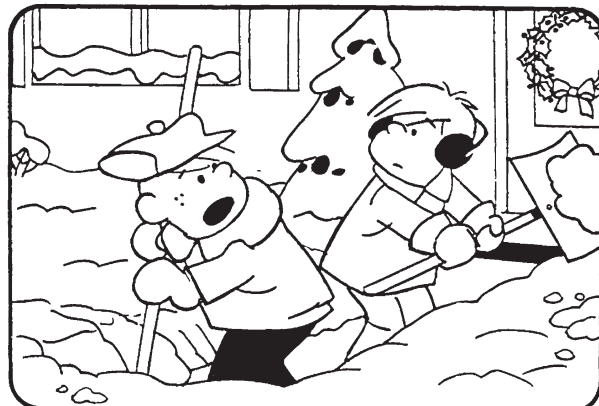
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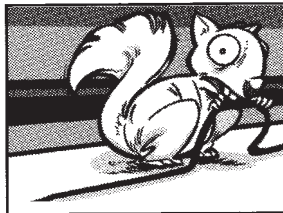
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Actually, the better question to ask is how deep can the Giants go in the playoffs with that plan and zero running game. True, there is a certain charm to the Manning-Beckham plan. For one thing, you don't need to be a technical football wiz to understand what is going on there. They're calling the same plays you did when you huddled up in your backyard as a kid: "You get open, and I will throw the ball to you, and then you just outrun everybody and score. Got it? OK! Break!"

For the time being, this strategy has largely worked. That's because Odell Beckham Jr. is just that good.

He is a game breaker, he is young and healthy, he can catch, he's a fierce competitor, and he's got turbo jets. As long as the Giants' truly superb defense is around, the G-men can get away with this plan.

As for Dallas, the team that beat everyone but the Giants, they still have one of the greatest offensive lines in modern times. They don't just give rookie sensation Dak Prescott time to throw ... they give him enough time to drop back and meditate, write a little bit in his journal, eat a yogurt with fruit on the bottom (ya know, the kind you have to stir), call to check in on his mama and decide he needs to buy a house out in Hackensack before throwing a pass. But when he ends up on the short end of a throwback 10-7 game against the Giants, people jump to conclusions. Seven points? Is that all you get for your money?

The question there is whether Dallas fans and Romo-smitten owner Jerry Jones will have the patience to stick with the kid once they're in the playoffs. After all, if you're going to use Romo, the clock is ticking. At best, has about two seasons left before he succumbs to chronic, life-long pain. But it would seem such a waste of time to try and develop Prescott only to bail on the guy come playoff time. If the franchise is eyeing another dynasty, it'd be foolish to jump off that Patriot-esque potential 10-year train.

Dallas should look at Romo as being the best backup quarterback since Johnny Unitas. He can still chip in. We've seen him play long enough to know by now that if he can't drive the Cowboys with a broken back, at least he can polish the fenders.

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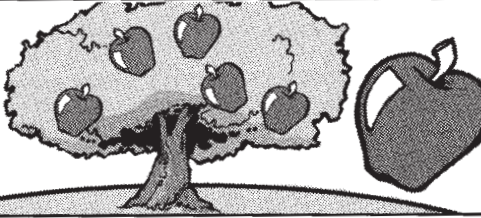
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(NAPS)—When the seasons change, there are a few important steps you can take to protect your clothes and save yourself time, trouble and money.

Try these tricks:

- Make sure clothing is washed and free from stains before you store it. Stains can suddenly appear months later if the fabric is not clean when put away.

- Use cold water for rinsing whenever possible.

- If the care label recommends dry-cleaning that favorite sweater, take it to the dry cleaner before storing. Not all wool has to be dry-cleaned, however. If the label says "hand wash," you can use your washing machine's "hand wash" or "wool" cycle with cool water. Easy-care wool knits can be cleaned on the "wool" or "gentle" cycle of your washer with warm water. When the cycle is finished, dry the clothes on a flat surface away from direct heat or sunlight.

- When drying clothes, sort by fabric types. Drying similar fabrics together reduces drying times and ensures even drying.

- Don't waste leftover heat. Try to get the second washload into the dryer while it's still warm from the first

to shorten drying time and save energy.

- Don't overfill the dryer. Air circulation is important for proper drying. Overloaded dryers may have to be run more than once—wasting energy, time and money.

- Clean the lint filter before each dryer cycle to maintain proper air circulation and to speed up the drying process.

- Before storing your clothes, make sure they're completely dry.

- Don't store too many in too small a spot. Clothes need room to breathe while in storage.

- Fold and stack knits loosely; do not hang them.

- Instead of using garment bags, use clean storage boxes or even a suitcase.

Keep this advice from the experts at Whirlpool Corporation's Institute of Home Science in mind when you put your clothes away and you may find it's almost like getting a whole new wardrobe of fresh, clean clothes when you take them out again the next time the seasons change.

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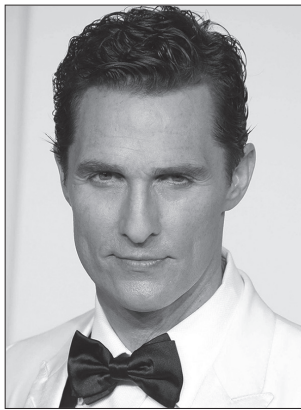
HOLLYWOOD — Matthew McConaughey is actually taking time away from making those inane car commercials to make a movie. **Ron Howard, Brian Glazier and Stephen King** are among the producers making King's book "The Dark Tower" into a film. The \$60 million science-fiction/fantasy/Western/horror film will co-star **Idris Elba** and be released July 28.

Nick Cassavetes, son of the legendary director **John Cassavetes**, will executive produce and act in "The Ogilvy Fortune" with a slew of great comics. **Chevy Chase, Dennis Miller, George Wallace, Andrew Dice Clay and Richard Lewis**, as well as **Keith David**, are embroiled in a frantic search for pirate treasure beneath a Caribbean Island Hotel that's being demolished.

Vince Vaughn and Owen Wilson are set for "Wedding Crashers 2." (The original 2005 film cost \$40 million and grossed \$285 million). Vaughn's recent film, "Hacksaw Ridge," is a hit. Wilson has four films coming: "Bastards," with **Ed Helms** and **J.K. Simmons**, due Jan. 27; "Wonder," with **Julia Roberts** and **Jacob Tremblay**, coming April 7; "Cars 3" (again as Lightning McQueen), out June 16; and **Jackie Chan's** "Shanghai Dawn," with Chan as Imperial Guard Chon Wang and Wilson as American bandit Roy O'Bannon.

Scarlett Johansson, who rode her Black Widow character through "Ironman" (2010), "The Avengers" (2012/15) and "Captain America" (2014/16), is moonlighting in the sci-fi action film "Ghost in the Shell," with **Juliette Binoche** and **Michael Pitt** (of "Boardwalk Empire" and "Hannibal"), opening March 31. She also has the comedy "Rock That Body," with **Kate McKinnon, Demi Moore, Ty Burrell** and **Colton Haynes**, hitting screens June 23.

Leonardo DiCaprio is one of the producers of "Robin Hood Origins," with **Taren Egerton** as Robin Hood, **Jamie Foxx** as Little John and **Jamie**



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Matthew McConaughey

Dornan as Will Scarlett. Robin Hood was last on screens in 2010, starring **Russell Crowe** as Robin and **Cate Blanchett** as Maid Marion, and made \$321 million worldwide. Egerton will be seen starting June 16 in "Kingsman: The Golden Circle," with Oscar winners **Julianne Moore, Halle Berry** and **Jeff Bridges**, as well as **Channing Tatum**.

Maybe **Johnny Depp** wasn't the bad guy in his marriage to **Amber Heard**. He denied her claims of spousal abuse, and now the producers of "London Fields" are suing her for costing them \$10 million, making their \$8 million budget soar to \$12.5 million and for allegedly trying to force the film's director to cut her nude scenes, which she agreed to film. Then she wouldn't help to promote the movie and allegedly sabotaged the screening at The Toronto Film Festival, causing the film to be pulled from the festival and losing interested distributors. Depp was obviously duped and out of his depth in dealing with Heard ... or so we heard!

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